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LETTER DATED 30 SEPTEMBER 1991 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the text of a statement made by the Spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Iraq on 29 September 1991 concerning the nuclear inspection team.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Abdul Amir A. AL-ANBARI
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

Annex

Statement issued on 29 September 1991 by the Spokesman of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Iraq concerning the nuclear inspection team

We had expected that United States and Zionist circles would exploit the contrived and biased mode of behaviour adopted by the inspection team, which is headed by an agent of United States intelligence, David Kay, and which, as is clear from the news media, includes an Israeli agent and other agents, in order to give currency to allegations against the Iraqi nuclear programme dedicated to peaceful purposes within the framework of the concerted campaign of animosity against Iraq. The United States press began that campaign with the allegations published by the American magazine Newsweek before the inspection team in question completed its mission in Iraq.

We reaffirm our statement communicated to the Security Council by the letter dated 25 September 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Council to the effect that the Iraqi authorities do not and will not acknowledge any document or visual material with respect to which no joint record has been drawn up by the two sides. If an accusation should present itself involving documents or visual materials that have not been entered in the joint record, this would indicate that there is a deliberate intention to do a disservice to Iraq.